

## **In the Claims**

1-13. (Canceled)

14. (Currently amended) A ligament shim for insertion into a bone tunnel, the ligament shim comprising:

a body having a first end and a second end, and an axis extending from the first end to the second end;

~~the first and second ends being substantially planar and of substantially the same configuration in plan view, substantially the same size, and normal to the axis;~~

the first and second ends having a length and a central width, the length being longer than the central width;

at least a first surface and a second surface extending from the first end to the second end and substantially parallel to the axis;

at least the first surface being arc-shaped; and

a shim hole extending from the arc-shaped surface to the second surface, said the body being otherwise devoid of any further opening; and

two outwardly rounded surfaces extending from the first end to the second end.

15. (Currently amended) The ligament shim in accordance with claim 14 wherein said the first arc-shaped surface extends outwardly from the axis.

16. (Previously presented) The ligament shim in accordance with claim 15 wherein the second surface is a flat surface.

17. (Currently amended) The ligament shim in accordance with claim 16 wherein said the shim hole extends from a crest of said the first surface to the second surface.

18. (Currently amended) ~~The~~ A ligament shim in accordance with claim 14 for insertion into a bone tunnel, the ligament shim comprising:

a body having a first end and a second end, and an axis extending from the first end to the second end;

the first and second ends being substantially planar;  
the first and second ends having a length and a central width, the length being longer than the central width;  
at least a first surface and a second surface extending from the first end to the second end and substantially parallel to the axis;  
wherein said the first surface and the second surface are both arc-shaped surfaces and are opposed surfaces and extending inwardly toward each other; and  
a shim hole extending from the arc-shaped surface to the second surface, the body being otherwise devoid of any further opening.

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20. (Currently amended) The ligament shim in accordance with claim 14 wherein said the first surface and said the second surface are arc-shaped and opposed to each other, the first surface extending outwardly from the axis and the second surface extending inwardly toward the axis.

21. (Currently amended) The ligament shim in accordance with claim 20 wherein said the shim hole extends from a crest of the first surface to a mid-arc portion of the second surface.

22. (Previously presented) The ligament shim in accordance with claim 14 further comprising two substantially flat parallel surfaces extending from the first end to the second end.

23. (Currently amended) The ligament shim in accordance with claim 44 18 further comprising two outwardly rounded surfaces extending from the first end to the second end.

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